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Requests Pursuant to Article 27.4 of the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures

Question Posed by JAPAN Regarding the Notification of JORDAN¹

The following communication, dated 4 April 2002, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Japan.

Japan hereby submits the following question seeking clarification of certain aspects of the request submitted by Jordan under Article 27.4 of the ASCM for extension of the transition period for export subsidies. In addition, Japan reserves its right for further questions. This question is without prejudice to whether Japan endorses any conclusions which may be drawn.

Income Tax Law Number 57 of 1985

Japan understands that Jordan pledged the elimination of this programme by 31 December 2002 (see WT/ACC/JOR/33, WT/MIN(99)/9: paragraphs 125-126). Could Jordan please explain its justification in light of its pledge?

¹ G/SCM/N/74/JOR and G/SCM/N/71/JOR